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LOYOLA VISITS TOUCH RMC

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"We played poorly, very poorly" was Loyola Coach George Dixon's appraisal following an upset 17-16 loss to Macdonald College as the Warriors opened defense of their CCIFC Eastern Division crown.

Loyola lost in the last minute on a 20 yard field goal by Macdonald's Tom Ormos.

"We deserved to lose. If we don't patch up some holes soon, it could be a long season", added Dixon.

Penalties and a lack-lustre offense sparked only by the play of veteran halfback Frank Belvedere were the main contributors to Loyola's loss.

Loyola's defense came up with its usual fine game but the offense had the Warriors in a hole for the entire second half of the ball game, and put heavy pressure on the defensive unit which was without three regulars. Defensive backs Joe Manzoli and Terry Whalen sat out the game with shoulder and leg injuries and defensive keystone Brian Marcil also watched from the sidelines. Still the Warrior's defense gave up only ten points.

"Offensive backfield problems were the big thing that hurt us," explained Dixon. "We were just too inexperienced".

Regular fullback Andy Malolepszy missed the game with a bruised thigh and replacement Randy Milburn, who joined the Warriors only a week previous didn't have enough time to get ready for the game. Anytime that the Warriors did get going the offensive effort was stopped in short order by penalties, all called by referee Bernie Young.

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Dixon hopes to have all four of his injured players back in the lineup and a revamped offense ready when the Warriors travel to Kingston to take on the RMC Redmen this Saturday. The cadets, who were supposed to have trouble scoring points went on a rampage against Université de Montreal Carabins last Saturday winning 53-7.

RMC has 28 players back from last year's squad, including three conference defensive All-Star's. Last year the Redmen gave Loyola their toughest battle before going down to an 8-1 defeat in the rain. The cadets have improved considerably as they sport their traditional tough defense and a new found potent scoring machine.